MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): അതു വിവരിച്ചു പറയാൻ നിവൃത്തിയില്ല.

Expenditure on the Agricultural Department.

112. MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to state the total expenditure including salaries, incurred on the Agricultural Department from its inception to the 1st Mithunam 1102?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): The total gross expenditure on account of the Agricultural Department (including Veterinary, Fisheries, etc.) from its inception to the 1st Mithunam 1102 is Rs. 22,18, 201.

Price of Paddy and Rice imported into the State during 1099-1101.

113. MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to state the price of paddy and rice imported into this State from foreign countries in each of the last three years (1099-1101)?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): The member is referred to pages 120—121, 126—127 and 140—141 of the Statistical Volumes for the years 1099, 1100 and 1101 respectively.

Ezhava acting Clerks in the Account Office.

114. MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any acting clerks of the Account Office, belonging to the Ezhava community, were relieved since the present Account Officer took charge of that office;

(*b*) if so, the names of those who have been appointed in their places; and

(*c*) whether such appointments were given only to those who had better claims, and, if so, the nature of those claims?

MR. K. N. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Financial Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) Yes, on the termination of vacancies. This was not peculiar to the members of the Ezhava community or of any other community in particular.

(*b*) No acting appointment was made in place of any acting man who was relieved.

(*c*) This does not arise in view of the answer to part (*b*).

Statement, by castes, of Officers in the Account Office.

115. MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by castes, of the total number of officers in the Account Office?

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MR. K. N. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Financial Secretary to Government*): The following are the particulars regarding the staff of Gazetted officers in the Account Office:—

	No.
Hindus—	
Brahmins (others)	6
Nayars	3
Other Hindus	1
Christians—	
Syrians.	
Jacobites	1
Reformed Syrians	2
Romo-Syrians	1

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): കൌൺസിൽ ചോദ്യങ്ങളുടെ മറുപടികളിലും മറ്റു ഗവർണ്മെൻറു രേഖകളിലും റോമൊസിറിയൻ എന്നു ചേർക്കുന്നതിനെ ഭേദപ്പെടുത്തി റോമൻ കത്തോലിക്കു സിറിയൻ എന്നു മേലിൽ ചേർക്കാമെന്നു മുമ്പു കൌൺസിലിലെ എൻെറ ചോദ്യത്തിനു മറുപടി തന്നിരിക്കെ റോമൊസിറിയൻ എന്നു വീണ്ടും ഇവിടെ ചേർത്തിരിക്കുന്നതിൻെറ കാരണമെന്തു?

MR. K. N. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Financial Secretary to Government*): അതു് ഇപ്പോഴും പറയാൻ നിവൃത്തിയില്ല. ഇന്നവിഭാഗം (classification) തന്നെ വേണ്ടതെന്നു മെമ്പർ ചോദിച്ചാൽ അങ്ങിനെ മറുപടി പറയാം.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): റോമൻകത്തോലിക്കു് സിറിയൻ എന്നു ചേർക്കാമെന്നു ഗവർണ്മെൻറു മുമ്പു മറുപടി പറഞ്ഞിരിക്കേ ഈ പട്ടികയിൽ റോമൊസിറിയൻ എന്നു ചേർക്കാനുള്ള കാരണമെന്തു?

MR. K. N. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Financial Secretary to Government*): അതു് റിക്കാർഡുനോക്കാതെ പറയാൻ നിവൃത്തിയില്ല.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): ഇങ്ങിനെ ഗവർണ്മെൻറു തീച്ചയ്ക്കു വിപരീതമായി ഉത്തരത്തിൽ ചേർത്തിരിക്കുന്നതു സംബന്ധിച്ചു അങ്ങിനെ ഉത്തരം തയാറാക്കിയവരോടു സമാധാനം ചോദിക്കുമോ?

MR. K. N. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Financial Secretary to Government*): This is not a supplementary question. The member asked for a statement, by castes, of the officers in the Account Office and that has been furnished. He now states here that the nomenclature 'Romo-Syrians' is not exactly what is expected to be given as one of the authorised nomenclatures under which officers could be classified. I was asked in his supplementary question whether I could say why this nomenclature was adopted. I said I could not answer

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that question off-hand. The member further asks whether the Government would take disciplinary action against the officer concerned for using the nomenclature "Romo-Syrians" while the Government had previously agreed to adopt another nomenclature. I think that that does not arise as a supplementary question.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha*): I rise to a point of order, Sir. Is it really a supplementary question?

PRESIDENT: It is not a supplementary question. It is entirely a new question. The information sought by the interpellation was not in regard to the difficult problem of classification of communities.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): വിവരം അറിയാനാണ ചോദ്യം ചോദിക്കുന്നതു് 'റോമൻകത്തോചിക്കു് സിറിയൻ''സിന്റെ സംഖ്യ ഉത്തരത്തിലില്ല. അതുകൂടി അറിയുന്നതിനാണ ഞാൻ ചോദിച്ചതു്.

MR. K. N. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Financial Secretary to Government*): If the member had put a suitable supplementary question, I would have answered him. There is only one person who has been classified as 'Romo-Syrian'. If the member had asked me about that particular person or had simply consulted the *Civil List*, he could have had the information that he wants.

Appointment of Mr. A. Venkata Rao as Head Sirkar Vakil.

116. **MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) when Mr. A. Venkata Rao has been appointed Head Sirkar Vakil;

(*b*) whether they have declared in the Legislative Council anybody senior to Mr. A. Venkata Rao, and, if so, who they are;

(*c*) whether Mr. A. Venkata Rao is the seniormost vakil in the bar; and

(*d*) whether the order appointing Mr. A. Venkata Rao as Head Sirkar Vakil does show —

(i) the reasons why his seniors were superseded, or

(ii) that the claims of his seniors were at least considered by the Government?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Sanction for the appointment of Mr. A. Venkata Rao as Ag. Head Sirkar Vakil was communicated in G. O. D. Dis. No. 1850 of 27/Judl., dated the 13th July, 1927.

(*b*) Yes; Mr. R. Gopala Menon, Sirkar Vakil, Parur, was declared to be senior to Mr. A. Venkata Rao as District Court Sirkar Vakil.

(*c*) The answer is in the negative.

(*d*) (i) and (ii) The answer is in the negative. The member is also referred to the answer given to interpellation No. 111 by Mr. Kallur Narayana Pillai.

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